CPGL Program

1. Introduction to Program: Purpose, Goals and Objectives:

The Conservation of Private Grazing Land (CPGL) program will ensure that technical, educational, and related assistance is provided to those who own private grazing lands. It is not a cost share program. This technical assistance will offer opportunities for: better grazing land management; protecting soil from erosive wind and water; using more energy-efficient ways to produce food and fiber; conserving water; providing habitat for wildlife; sustaining forage and grazing plants; using plants to sequester greenhouse gases and increase soil organic matter; and using grazing lands as a source of biomass energy and raw materials for industrial products.

The CPGL program was authorized by the conservation provisions of the Federal Agricultural Improvement and Reform Act (1996 Farm Bill). The intent of this provision is to provide accelerated technical assistance to owners and managers of grazing land. The purpose is to provide a coordinated technical program to conserve and enhance grazing land resources and provide related benefits. Currently, funds have not been appropriated for this program.

For additional information go to the NRCS National web site @ http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/ or http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/cpgl/

2. Fact sheets:

The following fact sheets are attached: Conservation of Private Grazing Lands (CPGLFct.pdf)

3. Application process: Step-by-step with timeframes for actions

There is no formal application process. Local NRCS staff should contact their designated Grassland Conservationist when producers need assistance with grazing land. A map for Grassland Conservationist coverage areas is attached.

4. Forms Required:

No forms are required

5. Indiana contact information:

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